

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2109

Introduced by Assembly Member Goldberg

February 17, 2006

An act to add Chapter 3.48 (commencing with Section 44758) to Part 25 of the Education Code, relating to teachers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2109, as introduced, Goldberg. Teachers: staff development.

Existing law establishes the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program under which each school district, charter school, and county office of education is required to administer to each of its pupils in grades 3 and 7 a designated achievement test and a standards-based achievement test, until July 1, 2007, to each of its pupils in grades 2 to 11, inclusive, and, after July 1, 2007, to each of its pupils in grades 3 to 11, inclusive. Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion funds appropriated to enable school districts to use the English language development test to identify limited-English-proficient pupils, to determine their level of English language proficiency, and to assess their progress in acquiring the skills of listening, reading, speaking, and writing English. Existing law requires, commencing with the 2003–04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 to successfully pass the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school.

Existing law requires the State Department of Education to contract for the development of proposals that will provide for the retention and analysis of longitudinal pupil achievement data on the STAR and English language development tests and the high school exit

examination, known as the California longitudinal pupil achievement data system.

This bill would require the State Board of Education to require each school district to analyze disaggregated testing data accumulated from the above-mentioned tests and from the National Assessment of Educational Progress, identify the specific weaknesses in each school of the district as a result of that analysis, identify staff development programs that target each of those specific weaknesses, and contract with those staff development programs to deliver staff development to teachers at each school. By imposing additional duties on school districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 3.48 (commencing with Section 44758)
2 is added to Part 25 of the Education Code, to read:

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4 CHAPTER 3.48. STAFF DEVELOPMENT - MISCELLANEOUS
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6 44758. The state board shall require each school district to do
7 all of the following:

8 (a) Analyze disaggregated testing data accumulated from the
9 tests administered pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with
10 Section 60600), Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 60810),
11 and Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 60850) of Part 33, and
12 from the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

13 (b) Identify the specific weaknesses in each school of the
14 district as a result of the analysis conducted pursuant to
15 subdivision (a).

1 (c) Identify staff development programs that target each of
2 those specific weaknesses identified pursuant to subdivision (b).

3 (d) Contract with the staff development programs identified
4 pursuant to subdivision (c) to deliver staff development to
5 teachers at each school in the district.

6 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
7 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
8 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
9 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
10 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.